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Claims

1. A tool for injection molding of toothbrush bodies of at least two  
5 different plastics components injection-molded in succession, said tool  
comprising two mold parts which can be moved relative to each other and  
together constitute at least two groups of parallel mold cavities, and further  
comprising a rotatable carrier arm mounted for rotation about an axis, with

10        - one of said mold parts comprising a recess for each group of mold  
cavities, a mold insert being insertable into said recess,

15        - partial cavities being formed in said mold inserts, which partial cavities  
each correspond to a head portion of said toothbrush bodies,  
- a first one of said plastics components being injected into a first one of  
said groups of mold cavities, and

20        - a second one of said plastics components being injected into a second  
one of said groups of mold cavities;

25        wherein

            a) said mold cavities of said first and second groups are arranged on  
opposite sides of said rotatable carrier arm, said mold inserts being attached to  
said carrier arm;

            b) said mold cavities are arranged in each group parallel to each other and  
so as to have an identical orientation;

            c) said mold cavities of said first group are arranged so as to lie opposite to  
said mold cavities of said second group; and

            d) said mold cavities of said first group are arranged, with respect to the  
axis of said carrier arm so as to be point-symmetric to said mold cavities of said  
second group.

30        2. The tool according to Claim 1, wherein each group is constituted by a  
pair of subgroups.

3. The tool according to Claim 2, wherein, in each pair of subgroups, said mold cavities of one subgroup are arranged so as to be in alignment with said mold cavities of an other subgroup.